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The enclosed references were cited in an International Search Report (copy enclosed) dated December 19, 2000 from the Japanese Patent Office concerning counterpart International Application No. PCT/JP00/06335. Also enclosed are sixteen additional references, some of which are cited and discussed at pages 7-11 of the specification.

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